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Supplemental Examiner's Amendment

A supplemental examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this supplemental examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Michael J. Striker, Reg. No. 27,233 on January 5, 2011. The applicant representative, Michael J. Striker agreed to the following changes without prejudice.

The supplemental amendment as the following:

Claim 16. A discussion unit as defined in claim 13 1; and further comprising at least one additional exchangeable control out of the set of controls and including at least one control for each of the operating modes, wherein at least one additional exchangeable control is adapted to indicate to a user an operated mode currently used and to allow for the user to control the discussion unit.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Amal Zenati whose telephone number is 571-270-1947. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00am-5:00pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Curtis

Kuntz can be reached on 571-272-7499. The fax phone number for the organization where this

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